



Wisconsin Conservation Congress  
**Big Game Study Committee**  
Agenda  
For a meeting at  
Ramada Inn  
Stevens Point, WI  
**Friday, December 19, 2008 – 4:00 PM**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Big Game Study Committee of the Wisconsin Conservation Congress will convene at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, December 19, 2008 at Ramada Inn (formerly Country Springs), 1501 North Point Drive (Business 51), Stevens Point, Wisconsin. The Committee will review and act on items listed on the agenda.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Organizational Matters 4:00 PM
- A. Call to Order
  - B. Roll Call
  - C. Discussion and Approval of Committee Mission Statement

2. Department Informational Items

A. Keith Warnke, Big Game Specialist, WDNR

- 2007 Deer Season Final Harvest and Stub Data Summary
- 2008 October 4-day and Nov. 9-day Gun Deer Season Review
- 2009 Deer Timeline & 2009 Herd Status Meetings
- 2009 DMU Goal and Boundary Review
- Update on DNR Baiting and Feeding Group Discussion

B. Alan Crossley, Wildlife Management *<Invited>*

- Season Framework Consistency in CWD Zone (EAB in October or Antlerless)
- CWD Management Plan
- Incineration of Deer Seized in CWD Zone

C. Lead in Venison

Minnesota Bullet Fragmentation Study *<Video>*

Sean Strom, Toxicologist, WDNR – Wisconsin Lead in Venison Update

D. Mark Burmesch & Kevin Mickelberg, WDNR Law Enforcement

- 2008 Deer Season Recap – Warden Report
- LE Updates

**Break for Dinner – Pizza will be provided**

**~ 6:30 PM**

3. Discussion and Action Items

A. Resolutions

- **050108** Collect Buck Fawn Data
- **060108** Private Land Only, Antlerless-Only Deer Seasons
- **080108** No EAB or October Gun Hunt in 2008
- **100208** Move the Muzzleloader Season to Late December
- **110508** Implement a Later and Longer Muzzleloader Season
- **190308** Limit EAB to no more than 3 Consecutive Years
- **270108** More Age/Sex Info. on Harvested Deer

- **420108** Buck Tag for Muzzleloader Season
- **520508** Limit EAB to no more than 2 Consecutive Years
- **520608** 16 Day Gun Deer Season (Not in booklet...included with agenda)
- **630208** Express Deer Population in Terms of Deer Per Square Mile
- **680108** Eliminate Oct. Gun Hunt and EAB Statewide
- **680608** Allow bow hunting during the 9-Day Deer Gun Season

B. Other Business

- Upland Game Committee Position on the Date of the October antlerless hunt
- Disposition of 2008 WCC Advisory Questions
  - Use of Archery Equipment with a Gun Deer License
  - Either-Sex Carcass Tag for Youth Deer hunters
  - Use of Crossbows for Non-Resident Seniors
  - Transfer of EAB Stickers to Youth
  - Quartering Deer
  - Statewide Deer Feeding and Baiting Ban
- **Proposed Resolution Re: Future of Northern Forest Deer Herd** < Added 11/19/08 >

4. Member Matters

5. Adjourn

10:30 PM

**Proposed Committee Mission Statement:**

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**The following draft statement will be reviewed and discussed prior to adoption at the Dec. 19 meeting. Please be prepared to discuss and offer any amendments.**

**Big Game Committee**

**The Mission of the Big Game Committee of the Wisconsin Conservation Congress is to represent the citizens of Wisconsin by blending the social concerns of the public with the biological concerns of the Department of Natural Resources to provide successful management of Wisconsin's big game animals which addresses the interests of all parties.**

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**If you are unable to attend the committee meeting you must contact the committee chair or secretary and request an excused absence.**